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CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

- (Previously Presented) A process for preparation of 6,7-bis(2-methoxyethoxy)quinazolin- 4-one, which comprises causing a reaction of ethyl 2-amino-4,5-bis-(2-methoxyethoxy)benzoate with an orthoformic ester in the presence of ammonium acetate.
- 2. (Previously Presented) A process for preparation of 6,7-bis(2-methoxy-ethoxy)quinazolin- 4-one, which comprises the steps in order of: causing a reaction of ethyl 4,5-bis(2-methoxyethoxy)-2-nitrobenzoate with hydrogen in the presence of a metallic catalyst to prepare ethyl 2-amino-4,5-bis(2-methoxyethoxy)benzoate; and causing a reaction of the ethyl 2-amino-4,5-bis(2-methoxyethoxy)benzoate with an orthoformic ester in the presence of ammonium acetate to prepare 6,7-bis(2-methoxyethoxy)quinazolin-4-one.
- 3. (Previously Presented) A process for preparation of 6,7-bis(2-methoxy-ethoxy)quinazolin- 4-one, which comprises the steps in order of: causing a reaction of ethyl 3,4-bis(2-methoxyethoxy)benzoate with nitric acid in the presence of sulfuric acid to prepare ethyl 4,5-bis(2-methoxyethoxy)-2- nitrobenzoate; causing a reaction of the ethyl 4,5-bis(2-methoxyethoxy)-2- nitrobenzoate with hydrogen in the presence of a metallic catalyst to prepare ethyl 2-amino-4,5-bis(2-methoxyethoxy)benzoate; and causing a reaction of the ethyl 2-amino-4,5-bis(2-methoxyethoxy)benzoate with an orthoformic ester in the presence of ammonium acetate to prepare 6,7-bis(2-methoxyethoxy)quinazolin-4-one.
- 4. (Previously Presented) A process for preparation of 6,7-bis(2-methoxyethoxy)quinazolin-4-one, which comprises the steps in order of: causing a reaction of ethyl 3,4-dihydroxybenzoate with 2-chloroethyl methyl ether in an organic solvent in the presence of a base to prepare ethyl 3,4-bis(2-methoxyethoxy)benzoate; causing a reaction of the ethyl 3,4-bis-(2-methoxyethoxy)benzoate with nitric acid in the presence of sulfuric acid to prepare ethyl 4,5-bis(2-methoxyethoxy)-2-nitrobenzoate; causing a reaction of the ethyl 4,5-bis(2-methoxyethoxyethoxy)-2-nitrobenzoate; causing a reaction of the ethyl 4,5-bis(2-methoxy

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oxy)-2-nitrobenzoate with hydrogen in the presence of a metallic catalyst to prepare ethyl 2-amino-4,5-bis(2-methoxyethoxy)benzoate; and causing a reaction of the ethyl 2-amino-4,5-bis(2-methoxyethoxy)benzoate with an orthoformic ester in the presence of an ammonium acetate to prepare 6,7-bis(2-methoxyethoxy)quinazolin-4-one.

- (Canceled)
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- 7. (Original) The process according to the claim 3 or 4, wherein the reaction of ethyl 3,4-bis(2-methoxyethoxy)benzoate with nitric acid in the presence of sulfuric acid is conducted at a temperature in the range of 45 to 75°C to prepare ethyl 4,5-bis(2-methoxy-ethoxy)-2-nitrobenzoate.
- 8. (Original) The process according to the claim 3 or 4, wherein the metallic catalyst comprises 1 to 2.9 wt.% of platinum carried on a carbon carrier.